(c) the reasons for delay in production?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA): (a) and (b) The captive coal blocks are allotted to both public and private sector companies. As such, the production from coal blocks allotted to both public and private sector during the terminal year of the current Five Year Plan *i.e.* 2011-12 is projected at 104 million tonnes. The production projection from the coal blocks allocated to both public and private sector during the first year of the current Five Year Plan *i.e.* 2006-07 was 23.93 million tonnes against which the production was 21.17 million tonnes. The details of coal blocks allotted to different parties and the coal reserves in each case are given in the Annexure. [*See* Appendix 214 Annexure No. 6]

(c) As per the guidelines, coal production from captive coal block should commence within 36 months (42 months in case the area falls in forest land) in case of open cast mines and in 48 months (54 months in case the area falls in forest land) in case of under ground mine, from the date of allocation. If the coal block is not explored, additional two years are allowed for detailed exploration and preparation of geological report. The allocatees of coal blocks, who have not started production so far, are in various stages of obtaining statutory clearances and mining lease, preparing mining plan, acquisition of land, procuring machinery and equipment etc. for both mining as well as end-use project.

Allotment of coal blocks

627. SHRI R.C. SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated total coal reserves in the country and mineable coal;

(b) the current requirement for industries in various sectors like Steel, Power, etc.; and

(c) number of coal blocks allotted to various plants in the public sector as well as private sector giving the coal reserves in each case?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA): (a) As per the latest inventory of Geological Resources of Indian Coal (by Geological Survey of India as on 1.4.08) a total of 264.535 Billion Tonnes of coal resources have so far been estimated in the country.

(b) The coal requirement for industries in various sectors like Steel, Power etc. has been assessed by Ministry of Coal/Planning Commission as part of Annual Plan to be 550 Million Tonnes for 2008-09. Sector-wise coal demand assessed as above is given below:

(in million tonnes)

Sector	2008-09 (Annual Plan)
Power (U)	373.00
Captive Power	38.00
Cement	25.00
Sponge Iron	18.00
Others	52.00
Total Non-Coking Coal	506.00
Steel (Coking Coal)	44.00
TOTAL	550.00

(c) Details of coal blocks allotted to various public and private sector companies with coal reserves are given as under:-

Sector/End Use		No. of blocks	Geological Reserves (MT)
A.	**Public Sector Undertakings**		
I.	Power	51	18128.91
II.	Commercial Mining	40	7424.58
III.	Iron and Steel	3	1459.13
	TOTAL (I+II+III)	94	27012.62
B.	**Private Companies**		
(a)	Power	35	7414.20
(b)	Iron and Steel	53	7098.85
(c)	Small and isolated	2	9.34
(d)	Cement	5	271.00
	SUB-TOTAL	95	14793.39
	GRAND TOTAL	189	41806.01

Demand of coal for Madhya Pradesh

†628.SHRI RAGHUNANDAN SHARMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of coal demanded by Government of Madhya Pradesh for supplying to its power plants during last three years;

(b) the quantity of coal supplied by the department against this demand?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA): (a) and (b) The coal allocations to Power Utilities on quarterly basis is decided by the Standing Linkage Committee (Short-term), an Inter-Ministerial Committee, comprising the representatives of Central Electricity Authority (CEA), Ministry of Power, Railways and Coal Companies. CEA recommends the quarterly allocations based on power generation targets, coal availability, transport logistics, Ministry of Environment and Forest norms and also for stock building purpose. CEA had recommended total allocations to the tune of 123.00 lakh tonnes during 2005-06, 123.00 lakh tonnes during 2006-07 and 151.00 lakh tonnes during 2007-08 to the power plants located in Madhya Pradesh. Against the recommendations of CEA, the actual coal supplies by Coal India Limited (CIL) was 123.11 lakh tonnes, 118.43 lakh tonnes and 121.36 lakh tonnes during 2005-06, 2006-07 and 2007-08 respectively. Moreover, during 2007-08, the projection of CEA was based on capacity addition of 500 MW, which took place in May, 2007 without requisite infrastructure for unloading coal rakes, which affected rake supply to the concerned power station.

Identified blocks of coal for allotment

629. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has identified 81 coal blocks aggregating to 20 billion tonnes of coal for allocation;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.